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FROM RSO

EO 11652: GDS
TAGS: ASEC
SUBJECT: SECURITY PRECAUTIONS

REF: VICTORIA 465

1. DURING TRANSIT STOP IN VICTORIA, RSO WAS REQUESTED
BY PSO WYNN TO SUPPLY RECOMMENDATIONS AS TO ACTION TO BE
TAKEN IN EVENT OF COUNTER-COUP. THE FOLLOWING ARE GENERAL
GUIDELINES THAT SHOULD BE FOLLOWED TO INSURE PERSONAL
SECURITY:

A. LIMIT MOVEMENT TO GREATEST EXTEND POSSIBLE. TO
AID IN THIS, A ONE-WEEK SUPPLY OF FOOD SHOULD BE STORED
AT RESIDENCES. A SUPPLY OF FRESH BATTERIES FOR AM RADIOS
AND FLASHLIGHTS SHOULD ALSO BE STOCKED.

B. THE ISSUANCE OF WEAPONS FOR PERSONAL PROTECTION
SHOULD BE AVOIDED. IT IS DOUBTFUL THAT A GENERAL BREAK-
DOWN OF PUBLIC ORDER WOULD OCCUR FOR SOME TIME. HOWEVER,
EMBOFF DISCOVERED WITH CONCEALED WEAPONS COULD RESULT IN
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CONSIDERABLE EMBARRASSMENT. BRANDISYING A REVOLVER WOULD
CERTAINLY NOT BE AN EFFECTIVE DETERRENT AGAINST WELL-
ARMED PERSONNEL. CHEMICAL MACE ON HAND COULD BE KEPT IN
THE RESIDENCES FOR USE AGAINST INTRUDERS. WE DO HOWEVER
RECOMMEND THAT CONFRONTATION BE AVOIDED AT ALL COSTS.

C. IT SHOULD BE EXPECTED THAT TELEPHONE, TELEGRAPH

AND ELECTRIC POWER WOULD BE CUT. THIS EFFECTIVELY
ELIMINATES OUTSIDE COMMUNICATIONS FROM EMBASSY OFFICE
BUILDING WHICH WOULD ADDITIONALLY BE IN AN EXPOSED AND
DANGEROUS AREA. IT IS THEREFORE RECOMMENDED THAT
MONITORING OF EVENTS AND ALL COMMUNICATIONS BE EFFECTED
FROM THE TRACKING STATION WHICH WOULD BE ABLE TO PERATE
THROUGH SATELLITE ON STATION POWER AND OFFER MUCH GREATER
PERSONAL SECURITY.

D. IT EXPECTED THAT NEITHER ADMIN OFFICER WYNN NOR
SECRETARY PAVLIC WOULD BE REQUIRED TO LEAVE THEIR RESIDENCES
DURING THIS PERIOD.

2. SEPARATE SUBJECT. REFTEL ADVISED OF CONCERN REGARDING
SENSITIVE TRAFFIC BEING HANDLED BY USAF CONTRACT PERSONNEL.
HAVE ALSO IN THE PAST TWO DAYS RECEIVED NON-SPECIFIC VERBAL
CONFIRMATION REGARDING PURPORTED "LEAKS" BY STATION
COMMUNICATIONS PERSONNEL. THIS IS CONSIDERED A SERIOUS
MATTER COMPOUNDED BY THE POLITICAL SITUATION. IT IS
REQUESTED THAT YOU INFORM THIS OFFICE OF ANY SPECIFIC
INFORMATION REGARDING INSTANCES OF THIS TYPE WHICH WILL
BE REFERRED TO THE USAF FOR ACTION. YOU MAY ALSO WISH
TO ADVISE THE STATION C.O. OF THIS PROBLEM. IT SHOULD
BE NOTED THAT ENCRYPTION OR DECRYPTION OF SPECIAL
DISTRIBUTION CAPTIONED MESSAGES CANNOT BE EFFECTED
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WITHOUT USE OF CYPHER KEY TAPES AND HW-28 LOCATED AT THE
EMBASSY, WHICH IN TIME OF EMERGENCY MAY NOT BE ACCESSIBLE.
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IN SUBSTANCE.
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